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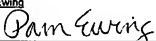
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Advisory Office action of November 2, 2009, the Applicant submits the following remarks and/or amendments. If any extension of time for this Response is required, the Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1379.

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

1. Please cancel Claims 2-3 and 7, without prejudice.
2. Claims 1 and 9-12 have been amended and begin on page 2 of this paper.
3. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.